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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, after the title, please insert the following section headings:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention

Before the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4, please insert the following section heading:

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Description of the Related Art

Before the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 28, please insert the following section heading:

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Before the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 30, please insert the following section heading:

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Before the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 9, please insert the following section heading:

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERED EMBODIMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel pending claims 1-13 and rewrite them as new claims 14-33 as follows:

14. A mechanical transmission, comprising:

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- a) a frame;
- b) an input shaft with a first friction surface, which shaft is arranged rotatably on the frame;
- c) an output shaft with a second friction surface arranged rotatably on the frame parallel to the input shaft;
- d) a rotatable body with a third friction surface and a fourth friction surface arranged at least for radial displacement on the frame between the input shaft and output shaft;